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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT **DISTRICT OF NEVADA (LAS VEGAS)**

USA No. 2:16-CR-00046-GMN-PAL-15

REQUEST TO ALLOW VS.

> **DEFENDANT TO PARTICIPATE IN** RESTITUTION HEARING VIA

VIDEO LINK

Defendant

Plaintiff,

CERTIFICATION: This request is timely made and Defense Counsel has conferred with AUSA prior to making this request.

COMES NOW, defendant, Todd C. Engel (Engel), by his attorney, Warren R. Markowitz, Esq, and moves this Court to allow Engel to appear for the upcoming Restitution Hearing via video link from USP Lompoc.

On July 19, 2018 this court imposed sentence on two counts relating to Engel's involvement in the Bundy Standoff of April 2014.

During sentencing hearing Defense Counsel raised a challenge to the restitution amounts being requested by the Federal Government, and after oral argument disposition of the Restitution was placed on calendar for September 5th 2018, ECF# 3297.

During the last week of August 2018 the Bureau of Prisons relocated Engel from the NSDC in Parhump Nevada to USP Lompoc. This court issued a minute order rescheduling the hearing for September 20, 2018, ECF#3326.

On September 6, 2018, Defense Counsel inquired with Ms. Carlon, the unit manager housing Engel if video conferencing is available for use (Exhibit 1), and on the 7th Ms. Carlon responded with a voicemail indicating that the service is available for use.

On September 10th 2018, Defense Counsel contacted AUSA Dan Schiess via telephone and inquired as to his position relating to the use of the video link for the appearance of Engel. AUSA Schiess indicated that he didn't care, which implies that he holds no preference.

Travel to and from USP Lompoc to the USDC Court in Las Vegas is, according to Google Maps, roughly 6hr 45 minutes. With the security issues involved in transporting Engel, we can easily assume that the travel is going to be

in excess of nine hours at best. The physical and mental impact of the transport on Engel, and those responsible for him, provides no benefit to this court nor to the findings in the hearing. Neglecting the hard costs that are obviously saved by such an action, the Defense asserts that justice may be served by using the least impactful solution on all parties involved in order to facilitate Engel's appearance.

Therefore, Defense Counsel requests that this court issue an order permitting Defendant Engel to appear via video link for the upcoming hearing, and to instruct the USP Lompoc to arrange such accommodation.

Respectfully submitted, this 10th day of September 2018

/s/ Warren R. Markowitz
WARREN R. MARKOWITZ
Counsel for Defendant Todd Engel

IT IS SO ORDERED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that USP Lompoc shall arrange for Defendant to appear via video link for his restitution hearing set for September 20, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. in LV Courtroom 7D before Chief Judge Gloria M. Navarro.

DATED this $\frac{17}{2}$ day of September, 2018.

Gloria M. Navarro, Chief Judge United States District Court

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Warren R. Markowitz, attorney of record of Defendant Todd C. Engel, submitted a copy of the foregoing **REQUEST TO ALLOW DEFENDANT TO PARTICIPATE IN RESTITUTION HEARING VIA VIDEO LINK** to the clerk of this court via the court's CM/ECF system for delivery and service upon counsel of record via CM/ECF.

Dated this 10th day of September 2018

/s/ Warren R. Markowitz WARREN R. MARKOWITZ Counsel for Defendant Todd Engel THE MARKOWITZ LAW FIRM

September 6, 2018

Ms. Carlon USP Lompoc 3901 KLEIN BLVD

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VIA FAX ONLY

RE:

Todd C. Engel, BOP# 18427-023

Ms. Carlon,

As Attorney for Todd C. Engel, I would like to inquire as to the availability of

video conferencing for appearances for court hearings? As you are aware, Engel is the

subject of a restitution hearing on Sept 20th 2018, at the USDC Nevada, as he was

recently transferred to your custody I was interested in requesting the video participation

of Engel from the court.

Please advise if the resource is available so that I may inform the court.

Respectfully,

Warren Markowitz, Esq.

Attorney and Counselor at Law

enc: court minutes

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MINUTE ORDER IN CHAMBERS of the Honorable Chief Judge Gloria M. Navarro, as to Todd C. Engel on 8/30/2018. By Deputy Clerk: Aaron Blazevich.

Defendant Todd Engel has been transferred to the custody of the Bureau of Prisons. As such, the Bureau of Prisons will not have enough time to transport Defendant to Nevada for the hearing currently set for September 5, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Restitution Hearing is CONTINUED to September 20, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. in LV Courtroom 7D before Chief Judge Gloria M. Navarro.

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